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EAST HARTFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, March 2, 2016

A regular meeting of the East Hartford Economic Development Commission was held in Conference Room B on the second floor of Town Hall, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut, on Wednesday, March 2, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 PM by Chairperson Skowronek.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Frank Collins, Vice Chair Pat Harmon Devorah Johnson Susan Skowronek, Chair

Members Absent:

Ram Aberasturia Bob Falkevitz Paul Sousa

Guests Present:

Michael Daniels, Economic Development Coordinator Gladys Rivera, prospective member

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COMMISSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

a. No residents addressed the commission

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 3, 2016 MOTION by Mr. Collins, seconded by Ms. Harmon to approve APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

The Commission members discussed plans business visitations. Mr. Collins noted the importance of both helping new businesses get started and maintaining long-standing businesses. Looking over the example business visitation survey from California, the members decided to avoid asking specific questions about employment and to focus on general conversation about what they business does and how it came to be. The intent is simply to let businesses know that the commission can serve as a resource. The next Lunch Club meeting will be at Nardelli's on March 31st at 1:00 PM. This will mainly be a social event compared to a business visitation.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Harmon to approve APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:46 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Daniels

Economic Development Coordinator

Town Clerk

Development Department